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Mr. Eisenhower received word at Jacksonville (Fla.) airport of the Israeli thrust. He had flown from Washington to Miami to Jacksonville and then stopped at Richmond, Va., on the way back. On the plane from Jacksonville to Richmond, the President kept informed by radio-telephone and teletype.

As soon as he landed at Richmond at 5:30 p.m., the President talked briefly by telephone to Mr. Dulles over a special land telephone line run into the Columbine. After his Richmond speech Mr. Eisenhower again talked to Mr. Dulles.

At Richmond, the President told his audience in reference to the Israel-Egypt crisis:

"In this specific case, as in all our efforts throughout the world for a just and lasting peace, here is my solemn pledge to you: "By dedication and patience we will continue as long as I remain your President to work for this simple—this single—this exclusive goal."

After landing at Washington National Airport, Mr. Eisenhower reached the White House at 7:10 p.m. Five minutes later he was conferring with Secretary Dulles in his second-floor study in the residential section of the White House.

Soon they were joined by Secretary of Defense Wilson, Central Intelligence Agency Director Allen Dulles, Admiral Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Undersecretary of State Herbert Hoover, jr.; Sherman Adams, assistant to the President; retired Maj. Gen. Wilton B. Persons, deputy assistant to the President in charge of liaison with Congress; Col. Andrew Goodpaster, White House staff secretary, and Mr. F. J. [unclear].

#### President Dines

The President did not have dinner, Mr. Hagerty said, until after the high-level conference broke up around 8:45 last night. He had eaten some sandwiches during the afternoon, however, as his plane flew from Jacksonville to Richmond.

Israel's Ambassador in Washington, Abba Eban, was conferring at the State Department with William Rountree, Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs, when first word of the Israel attack was flashed.

He said as he came out of his hours-long session with Mr. Rountree that he could not comment on the reports because he had no word from his government of the move.

He emphasized, however, that he had informed the United States that "the initial fault of aggression is on the shoulders of Egypt."

He referred to three commando attacks by Egyptian fedayeen which he said had occurred yesterday morning. Two of the commando groups were captured, he said, and the third was repulsed.

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